

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A hair treatment device comprising:
- a hair roller including a malleable compressible roller body, ~~operative to expand when heat is applied thereto during treatment of the hair, so as to apply pressure to hair wrapped around the malleable roller body before expansion;~~ a first notch and a second notch ~~on the roller body;~~
- a base implement including a first end and a second end wherein both said first and second ends each include a cradle for receiving said notches; and;
- a support rod connecting said first end and said second end;;
- ~~whereby the hair comes under tension by settling into the malleable roller body during expansion~~ wherein said base implement is constructed and arranged such that said support rod is connected in a middle portion of said first and second ends.
2. (Original claim) The hair roller of Claim 1, wherein said roller body is made of a lightweight, heat insulating material.
3. (Original claim) The hair roller of Claim 1, wherein the inside of said roller body contains a supporting structure.
4. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 1, wherein said first end and said second end each include a cut-out shoulder.
5. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 1, wherein said support rod includes a support arm.

6. (Currently amended) A base implement comprising:  
a first end and a second end, wherein both said first and second ends each include a cradle; and,

a support rod connecting said first end and said second end, wherein said base implement is constructed and arranged such that said support rod is connected in a middle portion of said first and second ends.

7. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 6, wherein said first end and said second end each include a cut-out shoulder.

8. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 6, wherein said support rod includes a support arm.

9. (Currently amended) A method of changing the appearance of one's hair comprising:

wrapping a tress of hair around a ~~malleable~~ compressible roller body of a hair roller ~~that expands when heat is applied during treatment of the hair, so as to apply pressure to the hair, and~~ wherein said hair roller includes a first notch and a second notch;

resting a base implement on a wearer's scalp, wherein said base implement includes a support rod, a first end, and a second end wherein both first and second ends each include a first and second cradle, respectively; further wherein said base implement is constructed and arranged such that said support rod is connected in a middle portion of said first and second ends;

engaging said hair roller and said base implement by inserting said first and second notch into said first and second cradle, respectively;

applying solutions to the hair; and;

removing said tress of hair from said hair roller.

10. (Original claim) The method of Claim 9 wherein heat is applied to said tress of hair.

11. (Original claim) The method of Claim 10 wherein said solutions are removed from said hair.

12. (Previously added) The supporting structure of Claim 3, wherein the supporting structure is a coil.

13. (Cancelled)

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